vii. Steps have also been taken for detection of leakage of water and to minimise the leakage. 23 shallow tube wells have been installed for horticulture purposes to save filtered water. 101 open wells in city and Sadar Paharganj (S.P. Zones) are also provided with submersible pumping sets to supply water for horticulture purposes; and

viii. Water supply arrangements in re-settlement colonies, J. J. clusters and regularised unauthorised colonies are being continuously improved through tube wells, handpumps/ hydrants, and water supply connections according to prescribed norms.

Long Terms Measures

It is proposed to earmark specific quantities of water from the reservoirs created through the construction of Tehri Dam, Kishau Dam and Renuka Dam.

Bhabha atomic research centre reacors

1290. SHRI S.B. SIDNAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Bhabha Atomic Rsearch Centre propose to use thorium instead of uranium to fuel the pressurised heavy water reactors;

(b) whether addition of thorium would be a regular feature in future reactors; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) Yes, Sir. BARC is pursuing research & Development activities towards thorium utilisation in future power reactors. It has been found that thorium can be advantageously used in Pressurised Heavy Water Reactors.

(b) and (c). No such plans have been finalised at present. However, research is underway to master the technology of thorium utilisation in our future reactors as our thorium resources are vast.

[*Translation*]

Review of Staff to Meet the Production Target

1291. kUMARI UMA BHARTI: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether a review has been made by the Government to find out the actual number of workers and officers required to meet the production target of coal;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI P.A. SANGMA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It is estimated that in Coal India Limited, the target of coal production of 210.00 Million tonnes during 92-93 would be achieved by a combined strength of 6,85,092 officers and workers.

(c) Question does not arise.

[*English*]

Import of Palmolein

1292. SHRI M.V.V.S. MURTHY:
SHRI KASHIRAM RANA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have imported palmolein during 1989-90, 1990-91 and 1991-92 as on date;